

REMARKS

By this amendment, claims 3-15 are pending.

The claim of priority has been updated to include the parent application's patent number.

5           In the Office Action of June 29, 2004, the Examiner rejected claims 1 and 2, objected to claims 3-6 and allowed claims 7-12. By this amendment, claims 1 and 2 are cancelled and claim 3 is rewritten in independent form. New claim 13, dependent on claim 3, corresponds to  
10 original claim 2. New claim 14 corresponds to original claim 5 rewritten in independent form and new claim 15, dependent on claim 14, corresponds to original claim 6.

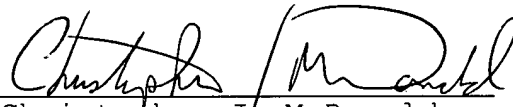
          All claims are allowable and favorable action is eagerly and earnestly solicited. If any issues remain and  
15 the Examiner believes a telephone conversation will resolve such issues, the Examiner is urged to contact the undersigned attorney.

          If any fees are due and owing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account 08-2455.

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Respectfully submitted,

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